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American Heritage Land Development, L.L.C. The Bluffs of Romaine)))	Docket No. CWA-07-2003-0279
Respondent)) _)	

ORDER AUTHORIZING FACSIMILE FILING

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §22.5(a)(1), facsimile filing of the telefaxed signature page (page 4) of the Consent Agreement and Final Order in this proceeding is hereby authorized.

Dated: Estruary 16, 2007

Robert L. Patrick

Regional Judicial Officer

IN THE MATTER OF, American Heritage Land Development, L.L.C., The Bluffs of Romaine, Respondent Docket No. CWA-07-2003-0279

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing Order was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees:

Copy hand delivered to Attorney for Complainant:

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Assistant Regional Counsel
Region VII
United States Environmental Protection Agency
901 N. 5th Street
Kansas City, Kansas 66101

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Honorable Susan L. Biro Chief Administrative Law Judge U. S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Mail Code 1900L Washington, D. C. 20460

and

Honorable Barbara A. Gunning Administrative Law Judge U. S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Mail Code 1900L Washington, D. C. 20460

Copy by U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, to:

Christopher J. Petri, Esq Gallop, Johnson & Neuman, L.C. 101 South Hanley, Suite 1600 St. Louis, Missouri 63105

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I. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

These proceedings were initiated pursuant to Section 309(g) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, commonly referred to as the Clean Water Act (hereafter "CWA"), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g). On September 16, 2003, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Complainant), Region VII issued a Complaint, Notice of Proposed Penalty and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing (Complaint) to American Heritage Land Development, L.L.C (Respondent). The Complaint alleged violations of the CWA by Respondent at the Bluffs of Romaine construction site in Fenton, Missouri.

The Complainant and Respondent subsequently entered into negotiations in an attempt to settle the allegations contained in the Complaint. This Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) is the result of such negotiations and resolves all issues relating to the administrative claims arising from the allegations in the Complaint.

II. CONSENT AGREEMENT

- 1. For purposes of this proceeding, Respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations of the Complaint and agrees not to contest EPA's jurisdiction in this proceeding or any subsequent proceeding to enforce the terms of this Consent Agreement and the Final Order set forth below.
- 2. Respondent neither admits nor denies the factual allegations set forth in the Complaint.
- 3. Respondent agrees not to contest the terms and conditions set forth in this CAFO in this or subsequent proceedings to enforce the terms of this CAFO, and agrees not to appeal the Final Order set forth below.
- 4. Respondent explicitly waives its right to a hearing on any issue of fact or law set forth in the Complaint.
- 5. EPA has considered the appropriateness of the penalty pursuant to Section 309(g) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), and has determined that the appropriate penalty for settlement of the violations set forth in the Complaint is Twelve Thousand and Twenty-eight Dollars (\$12,028). Payment of this penalty shall satisfy all claims arising out of the facts alleged in the Complaint.
- 6. Respondent consents to the issuance of the Order hereinafter recited and consents to the payment of the civil penalty as set forth in the Final Order.
- 7. Respondent's failure to pay the civil penalty assessed herein in accordance with the provisions of this Order may result in the commencement of a civil action in Federal District Court to collect said penalty, together with costs and interest thereon at the applicable statutory rate.
 - 8. Respondent and EPA each agree to bear their own costs and attorneys' fees.
- 9. Each signatory of this CAFO certifies he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms of the CAFO.
- 10. Respondent certifies by the signing of this CAFO that it is in compliance with the requirements of Sections 301 and 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311 and 1342.

III. FINAL ORDER

Pursuant to Section 309(g) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of Twelve Thousand and Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$12,028) to be paid in two equal installments of Six Thousand and Fourteen Dollars (\$6,014). The first installment shall be paid on or before March 17, 2004. The second and final installment shall be paid on or before April 17, 2004. Payment shall be by cashier's or certified check, made payable to "Treasurer, United States of America," and referencing EPA Docket No. CWA-07-2003-0279, and remitted to:

EPA - Region VII
Attn.: Regional Hearing Clerk
c/o Mellon Bank
P.O. Box 360748M
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15251

Copies of the check shall be mailed to:

Liz Huston Assistant Regional Counse! U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 901 North 5th Street Kansas City, Kansas 66101

and

Kathy Robinson Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 901 North 5th Street Kansas City, Kansas 66101

- 2. Compliance with the terms of this CAFO satisfies all claims arising out of the facts alleged in the Complaint. This CAFO shall terminate after satisfaction by Respondent of the requirements of this Final Order.
- 3. This executed CAFO shall be filed with the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 901 North 5th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101.

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The United States Enviro	nmental Protecti	on Agency
Liz Huston	fe	2/15/2004 Date
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Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division

IT IS SO ORDERED. This Final Order is effective upon its final entry by the Regional Judicial Officer.

Robert Patrick

Regional Judicial Officer

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